

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
VALDOSTA DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	:	
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v.	:	
	:	Case No.: 7:22-CR-00016 (WLS-TQL)
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MARIANO SERRANO-MEZA,	:	
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Defendant.	:	
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ORDER

Before the Court is a “Consent Motion to Continue Trial in the Interests of Justice,” filed by the Government on April 29, 2022. (Doc. 19.) Therein, the Government states that defense counsel was recently appointed counsel and that additional time is needed for defense counsel to review discovery and for the Parties to engage in negotiations. The Government also states that defense counsel consents to a continuance.

Based on the above-stated reasons, the Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting such a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the Defendant in a speedy trial. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A)-(B). Therefore, the motion to continue (Doc. 19) is **GRANTED**. The Court hereby **ORDERS** that the trial in the above-referenced matter be **CONTINUED** to the Valdosta Division August 2022 term and its conclusion, or as may otherwise be ordered by the Court. Furthermore, it is **ORDERED** that the time lost under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161, be **EXCLUDED** pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7) because the Court has continued the trial in this case and finds that the failure to grant a continuance would likely result in a miscarriage of justice. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i).

SO ORDERED, this 2nd day of May 2022.

/s/ W. Louis Sands
W. LOUIS SANDS, SR. JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT